# MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NATIONAL CITY

## February 27, 2018

The Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of National City was called to order at 4:02 p.m. by Mayor / Chairman Ron Morrison.

#### ROLL CALL

Council / Board Members present: Cano, Mendivil, Morrison, Rios, Sotelo-Solis Administrative Officials present: Dalla, Deese, Morris-Jones, Raulston, Stevenson.

#### OPEN SESSION

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None.

Members retired into Closed Session at 4:03 p.m.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

### CITY COUNCIL

- Conference with Labor Negotiators Government Code Section 54957.6
   Agency Designated Representatives: Eddie Kreisberg, Mark Roberts, and Lilia Munoz
  - Employee Organization: Police Officers' Association
- Conference with Labor Negotiators Government Code Section 54957.6
   Agency Designated Representatives: Eddie Kreisberg, Mark Roberts, Robert Hernandez, and Lilia Munoz
   Employee Organization: Fire Fighters' Association
- 3. <u>Conference with Labor Negotiators</u> Government Code Section 54957.6 Agency Designated Representatives: Stacey Stevenson, Eddie Kreisberg, Jose Tellez, Mark Roberts, and Lilia Munoz Employee Organization: Municipal Employees' Association

#### **OPEN SESSION**

Members reconvened in Open Session at 6:08 p.m. All members were present.

## MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

Member Mendivil: Motion by Mendivil, seconded by Morrison, to direct the City Attorney to prepare all necessary Resolutions to be put on the March 6<sup>th</sup> agenda to authorize placing any and all National City local initiatives that have been certified by the County Registrar of Voters on the Statewide June 5<sup>th</sup> Primary Election and for the City Council to call for an order and election.

# MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL (cont.)

City Clerk Dalla cautioned the City Council that taking action on the motion before them may be in violation of section 54956 (a) of the Brown Act regarding Special Meetings which reads in part that "the call and notice (of a special meeting) shall specify the time and place of the special meeting and the business to be transacted or discussed. No other business shall be considered at these meetings by the legislative body". The subject matter before the Council is not listed on the Special Meeting Notice or agenda.

City Attorney Morris-Jones stated that the City Council has adopted a policy that during their 'comment period' they can direct staff. This is a direction to staff, not an action item. This is about the policy that states that during the 'comments' section of the agenda, three councilmembers can direct staff to add items to a future agenda.

City Clerk Dalla agreed that the City Council policy and practice for directing that items be added to a future agenda is permitted under section 54954 of the Brown Act which applies to Regular Meetings, however the rules are different for a Special Meeting.

The motion was restated to be, to direct the City Attorney to prepare all necessary Resolutions to be put on the March 6<sup>th</sup> Agenda to authorize placing any and all National City local initiatives that have been certified by the County Registrar of Voters on the Statewide June 5<sup>th</sup> Primary Election for the City Council to call for and order an election. Motion carried by the following vote, to-wit: Ayes: Cano, Mendivil, Morrison. Nays: Rios, Sotelo-Solis. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

Member Sotelo-Solis encouraged members of the public to attend the City Council meeting on March 6<sup>th</sup>; spoke about the approval of term limits by 70% of the voters in 2004 and said she was opposed to spending \$70,000 for a special election.

Member Rios said she was disappointed with what transpired at the meeting with no one present, which demonstrates a great lack of transparency and disappointed in seeing the kind of governance taking place in the city. She said it was a sad day.

Member Cano said no one knows if it will pass or not but he wanted to invite his followers and a broad diverse group to come to the next meeting, not just the same old group, to tell us what they want. Member Cano provided information on the new restaurant opening on Mile of Cars Way.

**CLOSED SESSION REPORT** - There was nothing to report.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Mendivil, seconded by Cano, to adjourn to the next Regular Meeting of the City Council and Community Development Commission – Housing Authority of the City of National City to be held Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers, National City, California. Carried by the following vote, to-wit: Ayes: Cano, Mendivil, Morrison, Rios. Nays: Sotelo-Solis. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

# ADJOURNMENT (cont.)

Next Regular City Council Meeting: Tuesday, March 6, 2018, 6:00 p.m., City Council Chambers, Civic Center – National City, California.

The meeting closed at 6:34 p.m.

The foregoing minutes were approved at the Regular Meeting of June 19, 2018.

Mayor